# 1 Makeham's User Guide

This guide provides important details regarding the implementation of Makeham's Law in R.

# 1.1 Overriding Functions

Functions and variables used by the makehams package can be over-ridden using the gl.a(var, val) function and be accessed using gl.g(var) where var is the object name and val is value to be assigned. Additionally, all defined variables in the environment can be listed using the following technique.

```
> library(makehams)
> ls(envir=gl)
[1] "A" "B" "c" "d" "i" "radix" "uxt" "w" "x"
```

## 1.2 Select Period

An important implementation detail is regarding the select period. In all cases, a select period is assumed by default when using an actuarial function. This means that

- $tp_{[x]}$  is implemented such that using a non-zero s arugment results in  $tp_{[x]+s}$
- $A_{[x]}$  is implemented such that using a non-zero s arugment results in  $A_{[x]+s}$
- $\mu_{[x]}$  is implemented such that using a non-zero s argument results in  $\mu_{[x]+s}$  :

For instance, lets say that the select period is 2 and the value of  $A_{20}$  is wanted. Calling Ax(20,s=2) actually gives the value  $A_{[20]+2}$  and not  $A_{20}$ . Therefore, this value would have to be calculated as  $A_{[18]+2}$  which is Ax(18,s=2)

To generalize the model to any select period, numerical integration was used in the implementation of several functions. For instance, the functions implementing  $_tp_x$  and  $A_x$  use numerical integration. Although this provides for flexibility in changing the model parameters, the disadvantages of such an approach are

- Running code such as building life tables takes noticeably longer when a large select period is used, such as d=10
- In addition to a function using numerical integration potentially being slow, it is also less accurate than solving an integral before programming the function

# 1.3 Optional arguments

Typically, as is the case with the  $A_{[x]}$  function, rather than implementing new functions such as  $\bar{A}_{[x]}$ , these are optional parameters to the existing function. For instance,  $\bar{A}_{[x]}$  can be calculate as Ax(x,c=1) where c is an optional parameter indicating that a continuous expected present value should be calculated.

- > library(makehams)
- > head(createLifeTable(x=20))

```
1[x]+0
                 1[x]+1
                              1x+2 x+2
   Х
1 NA
           NA
                     NA 100000.00
                                    20
2 NA
           NA
                     NA
                         99975.04
                                    21
3 20 99995.08 99973.75
                         99949.71
                                    22
4 21 99970.04 99948.40
                         99923.98
                                    23
5 22 99944.63 99922.65
                         99897.79
                                    24
                         99871.08
6 23 99918.81 99896.43
                                    25
```

Another table that can be readily accessed is the insurance table.

#### > head(createInsuranceTable(x=20))

```
A[x]
                    A[x]+1
                                           5E[x]
                                                   5E[x]+1
                                 Ax+2
   Х
                                                                5Ex+2 x+2
1 20 0.04917546 0.05143193 0.05377599 0.7825547 0.7825077 0.7824769
                                                                       22
2 21 0.05139908 0.05376425 0.05622182 0.7825368 0.7824872 0.7824536
                                                                       23
3 22 0.05373095 0.05620990 0.05878622 0.7825168 0.7824641 0.7824275
                                                                       24
4 23 0.05617607 0.05877410 0.06147464 0.7824942 0.7824381 0.7823980
                                                                       25
5 24 0.05873967 0.06146230 0.06429274 0.7824688 0.7824089 0.7823650
                                                                       26
6 25 0.06142720 0.06428015 0.06724641 0.7824403 0.7823761 0.7823278
                                                                       27
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### 1.4 Recursions

The following recursion relationships hold

$$A_{[x]+d} = A_{x+d}$$

$$A_{[x]+d-1} = q_{[x]+d-1}v + p_{[x]+d-1}v(A_{x+d})$$

$$A_{[x]+d-2} = q_{[x]+d-2}v + p_{[x]+d-2}v(A_{[x]+d-1})$$

$$\vdots$$

$$A_{[x]} = q_{[x]}v + p_{[x]}v(A_{[x]+1})$$

where  $A_{x+d}$  can be calculated recursively using

$$A_x = vq_x + vp_x A_{x+1} \tag{1}$$

Therefore the approach is to

- Calculate  $A_{x+d}$  for  $x = \omega d 1$  to x d
- Calculate  $A_{[x]+d-t}$  for t=1 to d using  $x=\omega-d-1$  to x-d

# 1.5 Extension to Multiple Decrement Models

Consider the following example of a pension service table taken from Actuarial Mathematics for Life Contingent Risks, 2nd edition.

#### Example 10.5

Using the following forces of decrement, build a pension plan service table for ages x=20 to x=65

$$\mu_x^{01} = \begin{cases} 0.1 & x < 35 \\ 0.05 & 35 \le x < 45 \\ 0.02 & 45 \le x < 60 \\ 0 & x \ge 60 \end{cases}$$

$$\mu_x^{02} = \begin{cases} 0.01 \\ \mu_x^{03} = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 60 \\ 0.1 & 60 < x < 65 \end{cases}$$

$$\mu_x^{04} = \begin{cases} A + Bc^x \end{cases}$$

$$\mu_x^{(\tau)} = \sum_{j=1}^4 \mu_x^{(j)}$$

This could be implemented using the functions already built into makehams in the following way

Now that we have implemented the forces of decrement, we can build the service table

```
> st[46,]$wx = 0; st[46,]$dx = 0; st[46,]$ix = 0
> st[46,]$rx = st[46,]$lx
> print(st)
      Х
                lx
                          WX
                                    ix
                                              rx
   20.0 1000000.00 95104.164 951.04164
                                           0.000 237.41893
1
2
  21.0
         903707.38 85946.182 859.46182
                                           0.000 217.71579
3
  22.0 816684.02 77669.758 776.69758
                                           0.000 199.95897
  23.0 738037.60 70190.027 701.90027
                                           0.000 183.96186
5
  24.0 666961.71 63430.295 634.30295
                                           0.000 169.55582
6
  25.0 602727.56 57321.250 573.21250
                                           0.000 156.58845
7
         544676.51 51800.251 518.00251
  26.0
                                           0.000 144.92203
        492213.33 46810.690 468.10690
8
  27.0
                                           0.000 134.43210
  28.0 444800.10 42301.406 423.01406
9
                                           0.000 125.00620
10 29.0 401950.68 38226.165 382.26165
                                           0.000 116.54268
11 30.0
         363225.71 34543.182 345.43182
                                           0.000 108.94969
12 31.0
        328228.15 31214.695 312.14695
                                           0.000 102.14422
13 32.0
         296599.16 28206.579 282.06579
                                           0.000
                                                  96.05126
14 33.0
         268014.46 25487.990 254.87990
                                           0.000
                                                  90.60300
15 34.0
        242180.99 23031.058 230.31058
                                           0.000
                                                  85.73817
         218833.88 10665.313 213.30626
16 35.0
                                           0.000
                                                  83.45331
17 36.0
        207871.81 10130.950 202.61899
                                           0.000
                                                  83.57433
18 37.0
        197459.10
                    9623.359 192.46717
                                           0.000
                                                  83.98048
19 38.0
        187555.08
                    9140.558 182.81115
                                           0.000
                                                  84.67124
20 39.0
         178154.16
                    8682.273 173.64546
                                           0.000
                                                  85.66180
21 40.0
         169205.82
                    8246.044 164.92087
                                           0.000
                                                  86.94715
22 41.0
         160707.91
                    7831.763 156.63526
                                           0.000
                                                  88.54569
23 42.0
         152630.97
                    7437.995 148.75990
                                           0.000
                                                  90.46319
24 43.0
         144955.22
                    7063.776 141.27553
                                           0.000
                                                  92.71087
25 44.0
         137656.06
                    6707.906 134.15813
                                                  95.29724
                                           0.000
26 45.0
         130718.70
                    2586.134 129.30670
                                           0.000
                                                  99.73394
27 46.0
         127904.96
                    2530.383 126.51913
                                           0.000 106.23280
28 47.0
         125139.49
                    2475.580 123.77898
                                           0.000 113.44283
29 48.0
         122427.60
                    2421.829 121.09146
                                           0.000 121.43776
30 49.0
         119795.00
                    2369.639 118.48197
                                           0.000 130.32231
31 50.0
         117145.49
                    2317.107 115.85533
                                           0.000 140.07423
                    2266.061 113.30306
32 51.0
         114571.66
                                           0.000 150.88393
33 52.0
         112042.19
                    2215.883 110.79413
                                           0.000 162.81549
34 53.0
         109552.57
                    2166.481 108.32404
                                           0.000 175.96933
35 54.0
         107101.92
                    2117.837 105.89187
                                           0.000 190.45958
36 55.0
         104687.73
                    2069.901 103.49506
                                           0.000 206.40736
37 56.0
         102307.56
                    2022.623 101.13113
                                           0.000 223.94344
          99945.13
38 57.0
                    1975.679 98.78394
                                           0.000 243.17498
39 58.0
          97644.13
                    1929.931 96.49657
                                           0.000 264.36658
40 59.0
          95353.07
                    1884.361 94.21806
                                           0.000 287.56060
41 42.0
          65159.77
                       0.000
                              61.87556
                                        6187.556 210.42408
42 42.7
          58702.66
                       0.000 55.73331
                                        5573.331 211.51701
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43	43.4	52859.03	0.000	50.17455	5017.455	212.66312
44	44.1	47579.08	0.000	45.15190	4515.190	213.87250
45	44.8	42805.99	0.000	40.61134	4061.134	215.10935
46	45.5	38488.26	0.000	0.00000	38488.265	0.00000